

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 3 of the specification, please amend paragraph 5 (the description of the Figures) as set forth below:

The invention will now be described by way of example with reference to the accompanying diagrammatic drawings, in which:-

Figure 1 is a side view in section of a slat constructed in accordance with the present invention;

Figure 2 is a side view in section of a slat in accordance with second embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 3 is a side view in section of the slat of FIG. 2 incorporating a cartridge;

Figure 4 is a side view in section of an alternative slat in accordance with the invention; [[and]]

Figure 5 is a plan view of a second embodiment constructed in accordance with the present invention; and

Figure 6 is a schematic side view of the embodiment illustrated in Figure 5 .

On page 4 of the specification, please amend paragraph beginning at line 10 (first paragraph following drawing description) as set forth below:

With reference to the Figures, a slat constructed in accordance with the invention comprises a cartridge receiving (main) body 10 with a cavity 12 formed therein. The main body 10 comprises upper and lower portions 14, 16 which are adhered or otherwise secured together in a permanent or temporary manner. The upper portion 14 has two

downwardly extending arms 18, the end surfaces of which are attached to the lower portion 16. Consequently, the cavity 12 is formed between the upper and lower portions 14, 16 when they are attached together. The cavity 12 is open at one end to receive a cartridge (to be described below). The opposite end of the cavity is closed. In an alternative arrangement, both ends of the cavity are open. Pivotal doors may be provided to close one or both open ends. These doors may be lockable to prevent inter alia unauthorised removal of a cartridge.

On page 7 of the specification, at line 24, please add the following new paragraph as set forth below:

Figure 6 shows an electronic means 32 to communicate data to the cartridge 24 (Figure 5) for changing the data displayed by the cartridge. The electronic means 32 is attached to the back of the load supporting body 30 of the slat 28 where it will be protected against damage by articles placed on the load supporting surface of the load supporting body.